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A [North Korean](#) official that went from China and returned to his country was executed and shot dead after being suspected with the viral disease of [Novel Coronavirus or COVID-19](#). Is this how North Korea fights against the widespread of COVID-19?

## North Korea's Kim Jong-Un pulls the gun trigger on anyone suspected with Coronavirus



(Photo : KYODO on Reuters)

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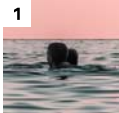




On Feb. 13, the New York Post [reported](#) a suspected one case of Coronavirus located in the military country of North Korea. A North Korean official -- that was not identified -- came from the COVID-19 outbreak center China and went back to the country wherein he was quarantined before officially returning to North Korea.

Reports said that the official insisted on going to a public bathroom even while he was under quarantine. After this, the quarantined official was reportedly shot dead after risking the spread of the viral disease in the country.

Under the new rule of North Korean Supreme Leader Kim Jong-Un, he vowed that anyone will leave the Coronavirus quarantine process without any permission from any officials would be "ruled by military law"-- this means they will be executed on the spot once they got caught.

## Status of Coronavirus disease in North Korea and how people survive

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As of now, North Korea has not yet confirmed any positive cases of Coronavirus in their country-- although they share an 880-mile-long border with China. However, South Korean news agencies reported that there are already alleged several and possible Coronavirus deaths in the country. Yet, the North Korean government seemed to be hiding it from the media.

"They are clearly lying as they don't want to show any weakness or that there is any threat to the regime," said Harry Kazianis, director of Korean studies at the Center for National Interest in Fox News. "Considering how there are many porous sections of the North Korea-China border - and how the Kim regime depends on illegal trade to survive - it is clear the virus has come to North Korea."

Contrary to what most people believed in, North Korean health ministry official Song In Bom clarified last week that they are accurate that no North Korean citizen is diagnosed with the disease but said that they would come prepared if this viral disease comes in their country.

"Just because there is no case of the new coronavirus in our country, we should not be too relieved, but have civil awareness and work together for prevention," he said, according to Reuters.

The capital of North Korea, which is Pyongyang, already released statements in their local media, saying that the country will be extending its quarantine process for 30 days. All North Korean citizens, officials, and foreigners are expected to follow the rules 'unconditionally'-- or else, the counter measurements might not look good for the victims.

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